# Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter

## October 2008



#### National 4-H Week October 5-11

This is the chance to start planning a great window display this year. Show pride in your 4-H club by placing a display in the window of any area business. The display should show activities and accomplishments in 4-H with pictures, awards, and fun decorations. Put up your displays during the first part of October. Call the 4-H office at 388-3213 and let us know by October 6 where your display is so it can be judged.

## Congratulations Karissa Woienski!!!

The Montana 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees has named Montana Wilson of Poplar and Karissa Woienski of Belgrade as new members of the board. The two youth positions exist to ensure that a strong youth voice is heard as the board makes decisions, said Sandra Germann, executive director of the foundation. The youth are full voting members of the board. They attend board meetings and help set 4-H foundation goals and policies. The 15-member Montana 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees raises private funds to support Montana 4-H programs for members, volunteer leaders and Extension staff. The Montana 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees officers for 2008-2009 include Karin Ludeman, president, past Gallatin County 4-H Leader and Heidi Hart, vice president, parent of a Gallatin County 4-H member.

# Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting

YOU'RE INVITED - The next meeting will be held on October14th at 6:30 at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. As always, all 4-H members, leaders and families are invited to attend these meetings.

#### Needed - New Council Members

The 4-H Council is a group of volunteers who set the policy and guidelines for 4-H in Gallatin County. The council meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the meeting room at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. If you or anyone you know is interested in serving on this board, please call the 4-H office at 388-3213. The Unlimited Leaders Council will have various positions open for the 2008-2009 4-H year. Please consider running for one. Come see how you can become a part of this wonderful group of volunteers.

## Enrollments for the 2008-2009 4-H Year

Enrollment packets are available at the 4-H office for pick up—the deadline to re-enroll without late fees is October 31st. Regular enrollment fees are \$15 per member - \$30 per family (not including the leader membership) - \$5 per leader - \$5 per Cloverbud. Enrollments received after October 31st will be charged a \$5 late fee per member/leader. Each additional month after that will be an additional \$5 per month with a maximum of \$15.00 per member or leader. You may pick up your enrollment forms and Clovers at the Gallatin County 4-H office. If you have any questions call us at 388- 3213.

# Shooting Sports Enrollments

4-H members must be at least 9 years old as of October 1, 2008 in order to enroll in any shooting sports project. This includes air rifle, air pistol, archery, and small bore. If you have any questions, please call the 4-H office.

## 2008 Gallatin County 4-H Project Awards

Project awards are divided into three categories. Beginning Awards are received by 9 and 10 year olds, Junior Awards are for 11-13 year olds, and Senior Awards are given to members 14 and up. Except under special circumstances, there is only one winner allowed per category. Others nominated receive an honorable mention.

**ART** - Beginning Award: Jolena Grevious, Honorable Mention: Taylor Veltkamp, Junior Award: Amanda Swanson & Mariah Harvey

**BEEF** - Beginning Award: Kyle Frye, Honorable Mention: Avery Bates, Jolena Grevious, Taylor Veltkamp, Junior Award: Randy Frye, Honorable Mention: Kayla Hutton, Senior Award: Katelyn Kohlbeck, Honorable Mention: Catherine Callantine, Project Leadership Honorable Mention: Ben VanDyke & Colter Joyce

BREEDING BEEF - Beginning Award: Jordan Wyse, Junior Award: Jessica Wyse

CLOVERBUD - Honorable Mention: Gideon Cuelho, Hadassah Cuelho, Rachel Pena, Kirby Thomas, Sawyer Thomas

**CLOTHING** - Beginning Award: Jolena Grevious, Honorable Mention: Taylor Veltkamp, Junior Award: Mariah Harvey, Honorable Mention: Kayla Hutton

DOG - Junior Award: Blu Cuelho, Honorable Mention: Ameila Farrier

**FOODS** - Beginning Award: Addie Jo Nesbit, Junior Award: Ezra Cuelho, Honorable Mention: Mariah Harvey, Brooke Jones, Madison McLaughlin, Senior Award: Khetri Johnson

GOAT - Junior Award: Ameila Farrier, Senior Award: Emma Truet

**HOME ENVIRONMENT - Senior Award: Hannah Kuchinsky** 

**HORSE** - Senior Award: Tana Pena

LEADERSHIP - Senior Award: Sammie Cheney, Honorable Mention: Codi Francis, Khetri Johnson

PHOTOGRAPHY - Junior Award: Jaci Nesbit, Senior Award: Codi Francis, Honorable Mention: Hannah Kuchinsky

**POULTRY - Senior Award: Emma Truet** 

**RABBIT** - Beginner Honorable Mention: Krista Callantine, Junior Honorable Mention: Bailey Stratton, Senior Award: Katelyn Farrier, Honorable Mention: Emily Tilden

ROBOTICS - Junior Award: Tucker Thomas, Senior Award: Beker Cuelho

**SHEEP** - Beginning Award: Tyler Rorabaugh, Honorable Mention: Tyler Goldhahn, Corbin Surber, Junior Award: Tanner Butterfield, Honorable Mention: Bryce Butterfield, Cody Goldhahn, Senior Award: Carlee Smith, Honorable Mention: Robbie Chesterfield

**SHOOTING SPORTS** - Archery: Junior-Devin Stickley, Small Bore: Junior-Barry Francis, HM Senior-Nichole Wirtz, Air-Pistol: Senior-Codi Francis

SMALL ENGINES - Junior Award: Ira Cuelho

SWINE - Beginning Honorable Mention: Daly Nesbit, Senior Honorable Mention: Robbie Chesterfield

WOOD WORKING - Beginning Award: Hanoch Cuelho, Junior Award: Logan Cheney, Senior Award: Beker Cuelho

## Leftover Record Books & Awards

**Help!** Our office is overflowing with records books, certificates and awards. If you were unable to attend the awards banquet and you turned in your record book to our office, please come to the office and pick it up. If you see your name above and did not receive your award certificate, please stop by and pick it up.

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## Special Recognition Awards

New Project Recognition Awards (Exceptional development of a new/re-organized Project)

Cowboy Action Shooting – Todd Kesner & Robotics – Gregg Switzer

Outstanding 4-H Alumni Award: Karin Ludeman

Partner In 4-H Award: NorthWestern Energy, XL Country, RO Brooks Leather/Rob Brooks

Outstanding 4-H Club Leader Award: Leia Miller

Outstanding 4-H Project Leader Award: Gregg Switzer

Outstanding 4-H Leaders Council Member Award: Kathy Cheney

Outstanding 4-H Foundation Board Member: Randy Craig

Lifetime 4-H Achievement Award: Pat Stackhouse

Gallatin County 4-H Leader of the Year Award: Laura Lee Harvey

The Harris and Elizabeth Kirk Outstanding 4-H Club Member of the Year Award: Sydney Heckel

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#### Silhouette Shoot

Thanks to all that have participated and helped out this year with the silhouette shoot.. We are done for this year and are looking forward to next year. The MWA put on the Montana State Championship and welcomed 24 shooters from the northwest. We had a great junior turnout with 5 subjuniors, 3 intermediate and 2 juniors. Junior Reann Wilson from Belgrade is the 2008 State Champion in standard rifle with a 55 and Junior P.J. Snider took top junior with a 50. Master Dennis Martinen came in second with a 53 and Erik Perkins from Belgrade was third with a 47. The conditions in this match were some of the worst with high winds and rain. The sun finally came out and we had a great dinner and visiting on Saturday night. Sunday was hot and great conditions. Junior P.J. Snider is the State Champion in hunter rifle by shooting a 67 and Reann Wilson is the Junior Champion with a score of 65. Dennis Martinen was second with a 67 and Junior Erik Perkins was third with a 63. It was confirmed that Erik Perkins, P.J. Snider and Reann Wilson set the new junior team national record with their combined 80 shot scores of 189 in standard and 190 in hunter. The awards were given out and everyone was treated to a show of sportsmanship when Reann and P.J. presented their state champion-ship awards to Sam Snider and Ivan, the target setters, in appreciation for working so hard.

## Advanced Beef Project Offered Again for Montana 4-Hers

The Montana Advanced Youth Market Beef Program will be offered again for the 2008-2009 4-H year if there is enough interest throughout the State. In this program, youth between the ages of 12 and 19 feed a pen of 3 market steers. The pen of 3 steers are weighed and tagged locally by January 15, 2009 to get an initial weight. The steers are fed until early June, at which time there will be a live show at Midland Bull Test in Columbus. From Columbus, the steers are shipped directly to a commercial processing facility in Greeley, Colorado to be sold on a quality and yield grade basis. The purpose of the Montana Advanced Youth Market Beef Project is to offer a program that is better aligned with current beef genetics and the cattle feeding industry of today. The main focus is to expand youth knowledge of animal science, consumer demands, and the competitive feeding industry. Interested youth should contact the Sharla Sackman at the Prairie County Extension Office at 406-635-2121 prior to October 31, 2008 to indicate interest in this program.

#### Christmas Tree Globes to Fill

Last year Gallatin County 4-H represented the State of Montana by designing Christmas globes for the Montana Christmas tree in Washington, DC. It was a great success and we would like to once again fill the 51 plastic globes. If any clubs, members or families would like to participate in this venture, please contact the 4-H office at 388-3213 or visit us at 201 West Madison, Suite 300 in Belgrade. The Rockin' Roosters 4-H Club will host a party on November 10th at the Valley Bank of Belgrade meeting room (in the basement) at 6:30 to collect all of the globes. If you are unable to attend, please return them to our office before November 10th so that we can return them to Washington, DC by November 17.



#### Beef

Steer selection workshop for all beginning and intermediate level 4-H members on October 18 at 1:00 pm at Storey Hereford Ranch. If you have questions, call Chuck Kohlbeck at 580-8255.

## Clothing and Textiles Sewing Project

No sewing experience necessary. All levels of experience are welcome to join us! Members are able to choose a project of their choice—appropriate to the skill level. Quick, rewarding beginner projects could include shorts, pajama pants or a skirt with an elastic waistband using a medium-weight cotton or cotton/polyester woven, non-stretch fabric (flannel is an excellent option). Other skill level members should pick a project with a higher level of challenge than previous projects required. The October project meetings will be Oct 8, 14 and 29 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm in the basement of Valley Bank (Main Branch) in Belgrade, 98 N Broadway. Please be sure to bring the following in order to begin working on your project. You will need: sewing machine and necessary accessories; extension cord; project pattern including instructions and pattern pieces; appropriate fabric yardage; notions (interfacing, elastic, buttons, etc) as listed on the back of the pattern envelope; sewing tools including: straight pins, tape measure, hem gauge, marking tool, fabric scissors, paper scissors, seam ripper, extra sewing machine needles, project book, pencil or pen. For other ideas, help selecting a project and fabric or any questions, please call Janell Barber at 539-1301.

## Dog Care & Training

1st dog project meeting will be held October 16 at 6:00 pm at Double Diamond Vet. We highly recommend that you attend this orientation meeting. If you need directions or have questions, please call Cara Greger at 522-9491 (during the day) or her cell phone at 580-4349.

### Horse

<u>Horse Committee:</u> Shannon Brooks 581-7478, Edie Baker 285-3657, Scott Reiner 585-7263, Mike & Kathy Pratt 388-6045, Gretchen Furlong 539-7224, Misty Radue 388-6655,

Next Committee meeting will be the 2nd Monday of the month, October 13 at 6:30 at Kountry Korner Café.

**Teens -** we are looking for teens who would be interested in being a junior leader for the Horse Committee. If you are interested, please submit a letter to the 4-H office as soon as possible stating your desire to become part of the Horse Committee.

**Adults -** we are also looking for adults to join the Horse Committee. We have a few committee members whose terms are complete and we need to replace their positions. If you are interested in becoming a part of this committee, please submit a letter of interest to the 4-H office as soon as possible.

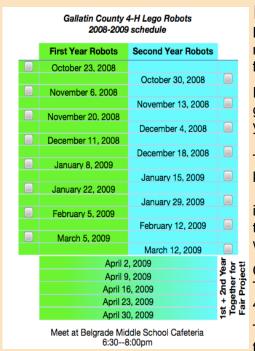
## Photography

Our first photography meeting will be Saturday, October 4 from 2:00-4:30 pm. We will be meeting at a private residence at 1383 Cobb Hill Rd. Please contact Kathy Cheney for directions, or watch for the signs on Cobb Hill Rd. The leaves are changing to great yellows, oranges and reds, so be prepared to take lots of pictures!!! Digital or film cameras are welcome! Also bring a small oatmeal, grits or cornmeal box and 2 clean aluminum cans. We will be making and using pinhole cameras!!! Please contact Kathy for directions or questions at 581-8763 or dokainc@bresnan.net

## Quilting

The first meeting of 4-H quilting will be October 11th from 11am to 4pm in the basement of Valley Bank of Belgrade. Contact Naomi Woienski at naomi.woienski@montana.edu or Sandra at sandra.fiegi@gmail.com for more information. Sandra's phone number is 388-6906.

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#### Robotics

Have you signed up yet? Unfortunately we need to put a limit on the number that can sign up for the Robotics project. Get your enrollment form into our office.

Prepare to burn some volts and amps as you learn to build and program your Lego robot to perform fun and exciting challenges! This year we are offering two classes to choose from:

**First year robots**. New to Technic Legos and programming? This is the class for you! We will teach you everything you need to know to become a real "bot builder".

**Second year robots.** Sign up for this class if you participated in our robot program last year or already have lots of experience with the Lego NXT system. Take on all new challenges you never thought were possible before!

Classes will be held in the cafeteria at the Belgrade Middle School on Thursday evenings from 6:60-8:00pm. All you need is your pencil, 4-H notebook, and YOUR BRAINS!

The robotics program would like to graciously thank all the support the Gallatin Valley 4-H, enthusiastic participants, parents and commu-

nity has given us! If you have any questions about the program, please email Gregg at greggswitzer@bridgeband.com or call 581-0624 at your convenience. Keep your batteries charged!

## Shooting Sports Leaders

There will be a meeting for shooting sports leaders, Sunday, October 12th at 5:00 pm at Yellowstone Gateway Sports. The schedule for the year will be set and any other matters concerning shooting sports will be discussed. Questions - call Bill Ott at 209-2599.

## 4-H Small Animals Meeting

The small animal projects would like to hold a meeting to show all interested members what these projects are all about. The meeting will be held on **Monday**, **October 13th at 6:30 PM**, call either Brenda Townsend at 284-6434 or Kelley Phipps at 599-1454 for location. Representatives from the poultry, rabbit, pocket pets, pigeons and cat projects will be there to answer questions and give a short presentation. There will be representatives from the poultry, rabbit, pocket pets, pigeons and cat project available to answer questions and help you get started. Each project will do a quick talk on where to get your animal and basic housing requirements. Follow-up meetings to be held monthly will cover topics such as feed, breeds of a species, quality care and showing the animals. A mentoring system will also be established, with older members paired up with newer, younger members to answer any questions or provide assistance as needed.

## Vet Science

Our first meeting will be NOVEMBER 11th, Tuesday at Double Diamond Vet from 6-7 p.m.. It will be an orientation meeting. Most of our meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month. If you have any questions please call Sue Geske at Double Diamond Vet (406) 522-9491.



#### Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade September 9, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 6:37pm President Kelley Phipps. Members present were: Brenda Townsend, Betsy Heckel, Laura Lee Harvey, Leia Miller, Chris Phipps, Kelley Phipps, Faith Poet, Ginny Francis, Scott Francis, Shay Fiegi, and Kathy Cheney. Guests present were Scarlett Wirtz and Sonja Berg

Secretary Report. Ginny moved to accept the June and August minutes. Brenda seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Brenda made a motion, seconded by Laura Lee, to accept the Treasurer's Report as written. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

#### **Committee and Leader Reports:**

**Fair Planning**: Faith asked when to meet for fair meeting. Discussed meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month, October 20 at 6:30 at the 4-H Office. Ginny asked when premium fair checks would be sent out. Faith said soon.

**Bar J Wranglers:** Everything is ready for them to come. Getting things together for radio broadcasting. Air Control is becoming a new sponsor. Scott would like to have major sponsors put together by next week. Tickets go on sale 28<sup>th</sup> of October. Will probably be looking for additional help getting the project together.

Bylaws Committee: Scott motioned to move Bylaws to end of the meeting. Brenda seconded. Motion passed.

#### Old Business:

Cloverbud Day Camp: Audrey Miller gave a short report, it was fun, lots of activities.

**Summer Camp:** Faith mentioned that kids can pick up Summer Camp t-shirts. Camp ended up being \$35 per kid per night. Ginny moved and Brenda seconded to transfer \$1,100 from machine purchase and repair and \$500 from advertising to bring camp balance to \$0.

Willow Creek Camp: Double check balance. Split between Madison/Jefferson County. Brenda motioned to table the overage until next meeting. Scott seconded, motion passed.

#### **New Business**

**Fair Bill:** Horse Project has the highest percentage of expenses on the bill. Brenda made a motion to suspend all scholarships to the Horse project until the balance due at the Fairgrounds is brought to half, which as of August equals \$2,479.79. Betsy seconded, motion passed.

**Fair Bill Discussion:** Brenda talked about a Pre-Fair clean up day in May and July. We would need to keep track of hours, the fair-grounds would give us credit for the clean-up and we could have a fun afterward. Ask Junior Leaders what would get them there? **Scholarship Requests:** Faith is requesting room reimbursement for the national 4-H Agents conference, Galaxy. Chris motioned to take \$500 from exchange club and the remainder from Montana Citizenship Program. Brenda seconded, motion passed. **Nominations:** Ginny nominated Kathy Cheney for a position and Angela Chappa.

**4-H Tax Exempt Status:** Handout Paper on updated 4-H Tax Exempt status & the IRS. There are a few things to be aware of, those groups having income/expenses about \$25000 will need to file. Follow directions if you receive a postcard, IRS and 4-H Headquarters are evaluating tax exempt status.

**Fall Ambassador Training:** October 15-17 at Fairmont. 2 ambassadors, 2 potential, 1 agent or leader. Brenda motioned to use monies from Teen Ambassador Fund for registration for fall Ambassador training. Seconded by Chris, motion passed.

Cotton Candy Machine: Betsy asked if we still have a cotton candy machine?

**T-Shirts:** Do we want to order t-shirts this year or hats, etc.? Each leader is to go back to their club and see if members/ parents are interested in buying different shirts this year.

**State Leaders Forum:** Betsy made a motion to pay for those going to State Leaders Forum with receipts turned in to justify expenses. Brenda seconded the motion, Motion Passed.

**Bylaws:** Scott made a motion to postpone going over bylaws until a special meeting, September 23 at 6:00 at the Belgrade High School. Brenda seconded, motion passed.

Thank You Letters: Write thank you letters to NorthWestern Energy.

Brenda moved to adjourn at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Leia Miller, Secretary



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## Giving Back to the 4-H Community

Belgrade Garage will generously donate 5% of all auto service & repairs back to the 4-H scholarship fund.

Bring in this coupon and your auto to Belgrade Garage at 92 N. Kennedy in Belgrade.

Call 388-1842 to arrange for your service.



On Saturday, January 10, 2009, the Bar J Wranglers from Jackson Hole, Wyoming will be in town. The concert, sponsored by Gallatin County 4-H will be held at the Willson Auditorium. The doors will open at 6:00 pm and the show will start at 7:00 pm. The tickets will be available on Friday, November 28, 2008 and there will be a limited number of reserve seats. This is sure to be an evening of great family entertainment. Please plan to attend. We anticipate a sellout crowd and want to have as many 4-H families attending as possible. Please buy your tickets early. These would make great Christmas presents. This is a great opportunity for clubs to have a fund raiser to attend the concert. If there are any questions, please contact Scott & Ginny Francis at 284-6843 or the 4-H Extension Office at 388-3213. More information next month.

## Leaders College

Lewis & Clark County is holding a Level 2 Leaders College Session Saturday, October 25 from 9-4 for \$5 (including lunch). Why should you go? Leaders College gives you a few more tips and tricks to put up your sleeves when working with projects, clubs or co-workers and people in general. Contact the Lewis & Clark extension office by email <a href="mailto:lewisclark@montana.edu">lewisclark@montana.edu</a> or by mail 316 N Park, Room 207; Helena, MT 59623 to register. You must register by October 17th.

#### Make it with Wool Contest:

You must have made a wool garment sometime in the past year. All age levels are invited to participate. District Contest is to be announced, Local winners are eligible to compete at the state competition to be held December 5-6 in Billings. Fantastic prizes for avid sewers! Contact the extension office for more information.

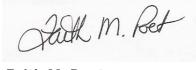
## Livestock Sale Committee meeting:

The sale committee will be meeting at the office starting at 6:30 PM on October 7<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions about the Livestock Sale and how it works please let the office know as soon as possible and we can pass these concerns on to the Committee. **OR** if you are interested in being on the Sale Committee, please make plans to attend.



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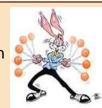
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#### **POI- Point of Information**

A quick reminder of what POI is – Poi is a traditional staple food in the Hawaiian diet and the Maori word for "ball". The art of juggling or swinging balls, sometimes while on fire, on a cord is also called Poi. Since schedules always seem to be going different directions, the POI section of the newsletter is where you can find all the basics of the newsletter, and keep all your balls of fire in line.



#### Dates and Events for October:

**5-11** – NATIONAL 4-H Week – let us know if you're doing a window display, so we can take pictures and judge!

- 5 JR Leader Bowling at Bozeman Bowl
- 7 Livestock Sale Committee Meeting, 6:30 at the office
- 13 Columbus Day OFFICE CLOSED
- 14 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council meeting, 6:30 PM MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade
- 16-18 Ambassador Training, Fairmont, MT
- 20 4-H Fair Planning meeting, 6:30 at the office
- 23 4-H Foundation Meeting, 6:30 at MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade
- 31 Last day for Re-Enrollment without a Late fee



## JUNIOR LEADERS! Start your 4-H year off with a strike!

*Don't forget!* We're bowling October 5<sup>th</sup> at the Bozeman Bowl :00 to 3:30pm. Bring \$10 to cover your game, shoes and some pizza. Any youth that would be considered at the Senior level (4-H age: 14+) is invited to attend. Adults are welcome to attend and bowl but you'll have to pay a little extra for your shoes! We'll discuss meeting monthly at this event!